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Responsive to the June 27, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the above-identified application is requested in view of the following comments.

Claims 15-28 are pending in the application, with claim 15 being independent.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and § 103

Claim 15 covers a locking system 1 for a safety switch to monitor a protective device 47-48 on a machine 50 comprising a read head 2 and an actuator 3. The read head 2 has a first component set 10 with electric structural components, and is coupled to one of a protective device 47-48 and a machine 50. The actuator 3 has a second component set 14 with electric structural components, and is mounted on the other of the protective device and the machine.